

# ESPO 2015



## European Sea Ports Conference

**Athens, 21-22 May 2015**

**No ports, no energy**

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For its 2015 Annual Conference, the European Sea Ports Organisation is taking you to the historic capital of Europe, Athens. Its port, the Port of Piraeus, host of the event, is the largest Greek port and Europe's most important passenger port. Piraeus Port connects continental Greece with the islands, and is both an international cruise centre and a commercial hub for the Mediterranean, providing services for ships of all type and size.

The theme of this year's conference is ports and energy. In May 2014, the European Commission released its energy security strategy, in which it developed a set of short- and long-term measures to ensure a stable and abundant supply of energy for European citizens and the economy. In October 2014, the European Council endorsed the 27% renewable energy and 30% energy efficiency improvement targets.

Currently the EU is importing more than half of all the energy it consumes. It imports more than 90% of its crude oil, and 66% of its natural gas. Most of these imports go through European ports. Knowing that around 40% of all commodities handled in European ports are sources of energy, and that European ports are important clusters of industry, it is clear that this change in policy will alter business in European ports. Are ports getting ready?

The ESPO 2015 conference aims to look at the role of ports in the changing energy policy framework. The conference will kick-off by drawing a clear picture of what is currently at stake in Europe, and the wider world. What are the most realistic energy scenarios and how will these affect transport, ports and port industries? The conference will look further at the way ports can respond and possibly benefit from these developments. How will the shift to alternative energies in maritime transport and other transport modes affect ports? To what extent can Europe's decarbonisation agenda bring new business for ports? How can ports improve energy efficiency in their daily functioning?

The conference will also be an occasion to discuss with EU policy makers ongoing developments in the port regulation, and to engage in an exchange of views on the policy priorities of the new Commissioner of Transport, Violeta Bulc.

## DRAFT PROGRAMME

### Day One: Thursday, 21 May 2015

**09h00** Registration and welcome coffee

**09h30** **Opening Session**

**Welcome by**

**Santiago Garcia-Mila**, Chairman, ESPO

**Ioannis Moralis**, Mayor of Piraeus

**Yiorgos Anomeritis**, President and CEO of Piraeus Port Authority

**Opening keynote speeches**

**Energy outlook**

**Tania Zgajewski**, Senior Research Fellow, Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations

**Outlook for European ports**

**Vincent Valentine**, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (tbc)

**10h45** Coffee Break

**11h15** **Session 1 The changing global energy system: consequences for Europe and its ports**

**Moderator: Dr. Peter De Langen**, Owner and Principal Consultant, Ports & Logistics Advisory, SL

- **Anne Houtman**, Principal Advisor DG ENER, European Commission: EU plans for

a European Energy Union: role and impact on ports.

- **Mantas Bartuska** (*tbc*), CEO Klaipėdos Nafta: Role of the port in developing Klaipėda into the Energy City for the Baltic area
- **John P. LaRue**, Executive Director, Port of Corpus Christi Authority, Texas (US): How are American ports reacting to the rapidly evolving energy demands, markets and policy?
- **Raf Bouckaert** HSEQ Expert, President of the Steering Committee Environment and Energy at Flemish Chamber of Commerce and Industry, former Technical Service Manager at Bayer Antwerpen NV : How to rethink our energy policy to transform it into driver of industrial growth in European ports?

Q & A

*Views of the ports*

- **José Luis Hormaechea Escós**, General Director, Port Authority of Algeciras Bay
- **Jens Meier**, CEO, Port of Hamburg
- **Christine Cabau Woehrel**, CEO, Grand Port Maritime de Marseille
- **Victor Schoenmakers**, Director Corporate Strategy, Port of Rotterdam

**13h00** Lunch

**14h15** **Session 2: New energy mix in transport: consequences for European ports**

**Moderator: Bogdan Oldakowski**, Secretary General Baltic Ports Organisation (BPO)

- **Carlo Raucci**, Doctoral Researcher at UCL Energy Institute, “Global Marine fuel Trends 2030” (Lloyds Register/UCL Energy institute): Driving forces and conditions influencing the future marine fuel mix
- **xxx**, What are the market needs on LNG?
- **Capt. Marc Nuytemans**, FNI, Managing Director Exmar Shipmanagement NV: The new energy mix, impact on shipping lines serving the international oil and gas industry
- **Hans-Peter Hadorn**, CEO Ports of Switzerland: LNG as alternative energy and commodity for inland navigation – role of inland and seaports

Q & A

*View of the ports*

- **Valeriu Nicolae Ionescu**, CEO, Port of Constantza
- **Julian Skelnik**, Marketing Director, Port of Gdansk
- **Alec Don**, CEO, Port of Milford Haven
- **João Franco**, President, Port of Sines and Algarve

**15h45** Coffee Break

**16h15** **Port 2 Port hour: What are European ports doing to improve their energy efficiency?**

*During this session participants will have the opportunity to learn more about existing energy efficiency projects in European ports. Ports will have the opportunity to show their best practices in the field of energy efficiency and to exchange good practices with other ports in the field.*

**The following energy efficient port projects will be displayed:**

**“Waste to energy”** (Zeeland Seaports) - **“PATCH (Ports Adapting to Change)”** - **“Green Port Energy Centre”** (Port Authority of Vigo) - **“Passive port house project - winner of European Greenbuilding award”** (Port of Ghent) - **“Energy Infrastructure Delta Plan”** (Port of Rotterdam) - **“No Waste, No resources”** (Port of Koper, Winner of the ESPO award 2014) - **“Green port activities”** (Ports of Bremen) - **“Innovative U-OWC breakwaters to produce electrical power from waves”** (Port of Civitavecchia) - ....

**17h15** **End of the first conference day**

**19h15** **Departure for Conference Dinner**

**20h00** **Dinner in the Yacht Club of Greece**

**Day Two: Friday, 22 May 2015**

**08h30** Welcome coffee

**09h00** **Session 3: Europe’s decarbonisation agenda: opportunities and challenges for European ports**

**Moderator: Dimitrios Theologitis**, Head of Ports and Inland Navigation, DG

MOVE, European Commission

- **Eva Kaili, Member of the European Parliament:** View of the Parliament on Europe's decarbonisation agenda: impact on ports

- **Thomas Becker**, CEO European Wind Energy Association: The role of ports in offshore wind development

- **xxx**, Tank storage company (*tbc*), Decarbonising Europe: How will the tank storage sector in European Ports adapt to this policy?

- **Dr. Bart Kuipers**, Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam: Ports as catalysts for change towards a circular economy

*View of the ports*

- **Robert Howe**, Managing Director, Ports of Bremen

- **Professor Hercules Haralambides**, President, Port of Brindisi

- **Eamonn O'Reilly**, Vice Chairman ESPO and CEO Port of Dublin (*tbc*)

- **Stavros Hatzakos**, General Manager, Piraeus Port Authority

Q & A

**10h30** Coffee break

**10h45** **Session 4 – European policy debate**

**Moderator: David Whitehead OBE**, Director British Ports Association (BPA)

**Keynote speeches**

**Violeta Bulc**, European Commissioner for Transport

**Knut Fleckenstein**, MEP and rapporteur on the Port Regulation

*followed by an exchange of views with the ports*

- **Eddy Bruyninckx**, CEO, Port of Antwerp

- **Marina Ferreira**, President of the Board, Port of Lisbon (*tbc*)

- **Giuliano Gallanti**, President, Port of Livorno

- **Gitte Lillelund Bech**, Director, Danish Ports association

**12h30** **Closing of the ESPO 2015 Conference**

**Santiago Garcia-Mila**, Chairman, ESPO

**Eamonn O'Reilly**, Chief Executive Port of Dublin, Host of the ESPO 2016 Conference

**12h45** Departure for lunch and Port Visit

**15h45** End of the visit

**16h00** Arrival back to hotel